

## MISCELLANY

Under this department are ordinarily grouped: News; Medical Economics; Correspondence; Twenty-five Years Ago column; Department of Public Health; California Board of Medical Examiners; and other columns as occasion may warrant. Items for the News column must be furnished by the twentieth of the preceding month. For Book Reviews, see index on the front cover, under Miscellany.

### NEWS

**San Francisco Department of Public Health Appoints Consulting Sanitary Engineer.**—At a special meeting of the San Francisco Board of Health held on December 14, its members unanimously adopted a resolution requesting the appointment of Professor Charles Gilman Hyde, professor of sanitary engineering of the University of California, as consulting sanitary engineer to the director of public health of San Francisco. It is stated that this is a step forward because it initiates the formation of a bureau of sanitary engineering in the department of health which has been badly needed for some years.

**California State Board of Health Appointments.**—A Pacific Coast News Service dispatch of January 19 stated that Governor Rolph had appointed Dr. Edward Pallette of Los Angeles to the California State Board of Health to take the place of Dr. A. J. Scott of Los Angeles, who had resigned.

**Survey Groups for Los Angeles County and City Health Departments.**—A news item of January 12 printed the following: "Five business and professional men were chosen by the Board of Supervisors yesterday to work in conjunction with a similar committee recently selected by the City Health Commission to make a survey of the county and city health departments with a view to devising a plan to prevent overlapping of activities.

"The committeemen selected by the Supervisors are: Dr. John P. Buckley, past president of the American Dental Association; Dr. George H. Kress, member of the attending staff of Los Angeles County General Hospital; J. W. Charleville, city manager of Pasadena; James W. Costelo, president of the Western Bakeries Corporation, Ltd., and F. F. Pellessier, Jr., of Whittier, creamery operator.

"The city's committee is comprised of Brook Hawkins, vice-president of the Winters Construction Company; Samuel H. Berch, president of the Western Dairy Products, Inc.; Martin T. Hildinger, real estate dealer; John D. Hackstac, efficiency engineer; and Fred Johnson, manager of the O. T. Johnson Corporation.

**Los Angeles Mid-Winter Clinical Course in Otolaryngology.**—The first Los Angeles Annual Mid-Winter Course in Otolaryngology started on January 15. Among the guest lecturers were: Georges Portmann, M. D., Professor Agrégé, a la Faculté de Médecine, Bordeaux, France; Edmund Prince Fowler, M. D., New York City, President of the American Laryngological, Rhinological and Otological Society; Harry L. Baum, M. D., Denver, Colorado, a founder of the Denver Summer Graduate Course in Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology.

The facilities of the Saint Vincent Hospital, Los Angeles County General Hospital, Cedars of Lebanon Hospital, and other institutions were utilized. The course closed on January 28, and was followed by a meeting of the Western Section of the American Laryngological, Rhinological, and Otological Society.

Response to the first efforts for having a mid-winter course in otolaryngology at Los Angeles were very gratifying. Physicians from practically all the Pacific Coast states were in attendance.

**The Pacific Coast Surgical Association** will hold its seventh annual meeting in Los Angeles and in Santa Barbara from February 23 to 27, inclusive. Clinics will be in Los Angeles February 23 to 24, and the scientific program will be given at the Santa Barbara Biltmore on February 25, 26, and 27.

The following are the officers of the association: Rea Smith, Los Angeles, president; Charles M. Fox, San Diego, first vice-president; Raymond E. Watkins, Portland, Oregon, second vice-president; Edgar L. Gilcreest, San Francisco, secretary-treasurer.

**Officers for 1932 of the Los Angeles County Heart Association.**—At the annual meeting of the Los Angeles County Heart Association, which was held in Los Angeles at the Good Hope Clinic December 28, 1931, the following officers were elected: John Ruddock, president; Robert Langley, secretary.

The following were appointed members of the Executive Committee by the president, Dr. John Ruddock: R. Manning Clarke, Donald Frick, Richmond Ware (also president and secretary ex officio).

**Clinic in Obstetrics at New York Polyclinic.**—In order to handle the increased number of patients applying for treatment, it has been necessary to open additional clinics in obstetrics and allergy at the New York Polyclinic Medical School and Hospital. The clinic in obstetrics is now held on Monday, Thursday, and Saturday from 1 to 2:30 p. m., and the allergic clinic daily from 9:30 to 10:30 a. m.

## AMERICAN COLLEGE OF [PHYSICIANS

### San Francisco Session, April 4-8, 1932

The Sixteenth Annual Clinical Session of American College of Physicians will be held in San Francisco on April 4-8, 1932.

**San Francisco Committees**—William J. Kerr, general chairman.

**General Sessions**—S. Marx White, president.

**Committee on Arrangements**—William J. Kerr (chairman), Arthur L. Bloomfield, Walter W. Boardman, LeRoy H. Briggs, Ernest H. Falconer, Noble W. Jones, Russell V. Lee, H. Lisser, F. M. Pottenger, and C. L. A. Schmidt.

**Committee on Clinics and Demonstrations**—William J. Kerr, chairman. Ernest H. Falconer, University of California Hospital; Walter W. Boardman, Stanford-Lane Hospital; C. L. A. Schmidt, preclinical departments, University of California; Russell V. Lee, preclinical departments, Stanford University; Gordon E. Hein, San Francisco Hospital, University of California Service; Aime N. Fregeau, French Hospital; Major William C. Munly, Letterman General Hospital; Alfred C. Reed, Marine Hospital and Mary's Help Hospital; John J. Sampson, Mount Zion Hospital; John Jay O'Connor, Saint Francis Hospital; Jay Marion Read, San Francisco Hospital and Laguna Honda Home, Stanford University Service; Ernest S. duBray, Laguna Honda Home, University of California Service; Edward B. Shaw, Children's Hospital; Elbridge J. Best, Franklin Hospital; Eugene S. Kilgore, Saint Joseph's Hospital; DeWitt K. Burnham, Saint Luke's Hospital; Randolph G. Flood, Saint